GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:318
ANSWERED ON:01.12.2015
Sugar under PDS
Kodikunnil Shri Suresh

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of subsidised sugar allocated to the States to be distributed through the Public Distribution System (PDS);
(b) whether Government has any proposal to increase the allocation of sugar from the present 400 gm per month per person;
(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
(d) whether Government of Kerala has submitted a proposal for increasing the allocation of sugar for the upcoming festival season in Kerala, if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)
(a): The quantity of subsidised sugar allocated to the States to be distributed through the Public Distribution System (PDS) is 26.59 lakh MT annually.
(b): No Madam,
(c): Does not arise
(d): Yes Madam, the Government of Kerala had submitted the proposal for increasing the annual festival allocation of sugar from 3600 MT to 8300 MT for the upcoming festival season in Kerala. The request of the state government was not acceded as any increase in allocation will have financial implication on the sanctioned budget on account of increased subsidy.
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